I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATE POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW. BY: **PATENT** IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1646 RECEIVED Sean A. McCarthy et al. AUG 2 1 2001 AUG 1 6 2001 : Examiner: Dong Jiang Appln. No.: 09/333,159 TECH CENTER 1600/2900 Filed: June 14, 1999 For: NOVEL GENES ENCODING PROTEINS: Attorney Docket HAVING DIAGNOSTIC, PREVENTIVE, : No. 10147-6 THERAPEUTIC, AND OTHER USES (210147.0006)(MBIO99-030) PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to and including August 24, 2001 for responding to the Office Action mailed April 24, 2001. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition. [X] A check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing [X] No. 210147.0006) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed. Extension fee in the amount of \$ .00. [X] Any deficiencies or overpayments in the above-calculated fee. Respectfully submitted, 03/17/2001 TGEDAMU1 00000084 09333159 SEAN A. McCARTHY et al. 890.00 OP ŔŶ D. CŒĽBY, Ph.D., J.D. Registration No. 40,961 AKIN, GUMP, STRAUSS, HAUER & FELD, L.L.P. One Commerce Square 2005 Market Street - 22nd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19103-7086 Telephone: (215) 965-1200 Direct Dial: (215) 965-1285 Facsimile: (215) 965-1210 E-Mail: gcolby@akingump.com GDC:KML

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